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Re my telegram 113.

President now thinks Guatemalan Army falling apart, has no leader ' and no idea what to do. He fears in this situation Ydig will get in and Communists will ultimately take over. He thinks Cruz Salazar might be able rally army and control situation and that Department should at least give junta advice and bolstering through Cruz even though latter remains Washington. He requests Rubottom's estimate of situation.

He is obviously considering intervening against what he conceives as danger re-establishment Communist foothold Central America. Apparently persuaded him for moment nothing constructive he can do but unless Embassy Guatemala or Department can provide urgently information to reduce his anxiety or direct request that he refrain from action he may start "pu. ng strings" as he put it.

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